



UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY

SHARED LEARNING OUTCOMES



Leadership Abilities

Graduates shall be military and civilian leaders of character who understand and apply sound leadership principles and competencies. This includes the ability to direct, develop, and evaluate diverse groups; to function effectively and ethically as a leader, follower, facilitator or member of a team; and to conduct constructive assessment of self and others.

Personal and Professional Qualities

Graduates shall maintain a professional lifestyle that embraces the Coast Guard Core Values of Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty, includes physical fitness and wellness, and demonstrates the customs, courtesies and social skills befitting members of a maritime military service. Graduates shall also have a sense of Coast Guard maritime heritage and an understanding of the roles that the Coast Guard and the nation play in the global environment.

Ability to Acquire, Integrate and Expand Knowledge

Graduates shall have developed the motivations and skills for "lifelong learning." Graduates shall be able to create a working conceptual framework that lends itself to continued expansion. To accomplish this, graduates shall be able to efficiently access a broad range of information sources, locate and interpret desired data reliably, employ appropriate technology, and integrate knowledge. Graduating cadets shall also have acquired and integrated the specific in-depth knowledge required of both an academic major and an entry-level professional assignment. Leadership Development Center course graduates shall have accomplished all program objectives.

Communication Effectiveness

Graduates shall be able to write clearly, concisely, persuasively and grammatically; prepare and deliver well-organized and polished oral presentations; read and understand a variety of written materials; listen thoughtfully to oral arguments; respect diverse opinions; and formulate reasoned alternatives and responses.

Critical Thinking Ability

Graduates shall be able to accomplish complex tasks in a broad range of contexts by applying the basic skills of critical analysis, systems thinking, quantitative reasoning, risk management, creative problem solving, and value-based decision-making.
